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“BUT HE THAT SHALL ENDURE UNTO THE END, THE SAME SHALL BE
SAVED” (MTH. 24:13)

Only Believe

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What a simple, yet profound statement. Only believe. Even as we sing, All things are possible, only believe. God's people *must* believe. We must believe in God, believe in His Word, believe in the power of the Holy Ghost, believe that we can overcome sin's dominion, and believe we can walk victoriously, making an open shame of the enemy. Believe that Jesus Christ is indeed coming back again one day in flaming fire. Believe that He is a rewarder of those that *diligently* seek Him. Where do you stand today? Do you believe? When I say believe, I'm talking about more than just a mental recognition and acceptance of Jesus Christ and things contained in His Holy Word. The Bible declares, **“Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble,”** Ja. 2:19. When I say believe, I mean *believe*. I mean believe with all of your heart, mind, and soul. How do you know if you truly believe? By God's grace we will explore this very thing today in this edition of Unto the End. It is my hope and prayer that you will be encouraged in your faith on to all belief and victory in the Lord Jesus Christ. It is my hope that you will be strengthened unto victory over every enemy of your soul. It my hope that you will be admonished unto total surrender to Him Who has called you to holiness and well pleasing. In fact, God commands us to walk in holiness, without which no man shall see Him (Heb. 12:14). Only believe, only believe, all things are possible, only believe. Amen and Amen.

“Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.”
Heb. 11:3.

This is a profound passage! It declares that God

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can and does make something out of nothing! This includes what He does to both you and me when we become born again. Before we came to the cross we were NOTHING. But God makes something out of nothing, praise the Lord! He also does this in the physical world around us. Let's take the case of Abraham and Sarah. When Abraham was 75 years old God told him that he would make of him a great nation (Gen. 12:1-4). He told Abraham and Sarah this despite the fact they were both advanced in years at the time. (Sarah was 65 years old at the time). If this wasn't difficult enough, Sarah, already aged, was BARREN. That's right, God told an elderly couple they would have a son and the woman was barren to boot. At the right time (Gen. 21:2), God fulfilled this promise and Sarah, a barren woman up to that point had her son (Isaac) at the age of 90 (Gen. 17:17)! God makes something out of nothing! Let's take the example of Joseph. God gave Joseph a dream that one day his father and brothers would bow down to him (Gen. 37:5-11). That's a bold dream to declare to your Father and mostly older brothers. To make things more difficult, the jealous brothers sold him as a slave into Egypt along the way (Gen. 37:18-28). If this wasn't bad enough, while in Egypt he was thrown into prison for a crime he didn't commit (Gen. 39:7-20). As the years went by he had to trust that God would make a way. The Bible tells us that this time was necessary because God had to try Joseph, **“Until the time that his word came: the word of the Lord tried him.”** Ps. 105:19. Joseph believed God despite his terrible circumstances. At the right time Joseph not only got out of prison but was also set up as the second in charge over all Egypt! (Gen. 41:37-46). Imagine that for just one moment. You are a slave in another country,

and in jail for something you didn't do, adding insult to injury. And then one day, in the blink of an eye you are not only freed from the jail cell, but your slavery ends and you are made second in charge over all that nation. At the right time God's dream in Joseph's life was fulfilled. God makes something out of nothing! God makes a way when there IS NO WAY! Praise the Lord! But God doesn't do this for just anybody. The one thing I want to call out right now is that in the two examples we have just looked at (and in every example in scripture), the one common denominator that all these people had in common was that they believed God and because of their faith, they remained faithful and obedient to God during the time of their trials. I cannot stress this enough. Do you think Joseph would have been made second in Egypt had he slept with Potiphar's wife? Notice this passage about Joseph when he was put in jail, **"But the Lord was with Joseph, and shewed him mercy, and gave him favour in the sight of the keeper of the prison."** Gen. 39:21. God would not have been with the man had he said "my situation is hopeless, what's the use, I might as well enjoy sin". God did have a plan for Joseph, but this plan was predicated on Joseph remaining faithful to God. Had Joseph slept with Potiphar's wife, he may have been caught and killed for it (justly so). God's promises to us can be aborted by our sin. Let me say that again, God's promises and plans for us are yeah and amen, but they are **CONDITIONAL**. If we decide to get into sin, to neglect God, then we can short circuit God's plans for our lives. Now, if we repent and get right with God, he can make lemonade out of the lemons for sure, but we may cost ourselves God's perfect plan in doing so! So when I say truly believe, it means with heart, mind, and soul. This plays out in the real world as obedience and adherence to the Word of God. What we believe in our heart is played out in the physical world. True belief and faith produces works; produces obedience to God's Word, just like with Abraham and just like with Joseph in our examples above. In fact what was God's command to Abraham right in the middle of this trial of waiting for a son? **"And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I am the Almighty God; walk before me, and be thou perfect."** Gen. 17:1. If you want God to be with you when you tried by His Word, then obey Him! Let's continue.

"Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth." Mk. 9:23.

Right here is what you **MUST** do if you expect to see God move profoundly in your life. You **MUST** believe. In the examples we have already talked about, the saints involved believed God and to my last point, this belief produced obedience to His Word, even in the face of severe trials!

"Who against hope believed in hope, that he might become the father of many nations, according to that which was spoken, So shall thy seed be. And being not weak in faith, he considered not his own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sarah's womb: He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God: And being fully persuaded, that what he had promised, he was able also to perform." Ro. 4:18-21.

What a word about Abraham. He hoped against hope. He was not weak in the faith; He didn't stagger at the promises of God! We must also have that same testimony and we can! Praise the Lord! Saint of God we must believe in the Almighty God. God makes a way by the power of His word. Praise the Lord.

"He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions." Ps. 107:20.

Truly this talks about God sending His Son to earth to heal and deliver us, but it's also more than that. There is power by the spoken word. A certain Centurion had a sick servant. He told Jesus that he was not worthy for him to come under his roof, but if Jesus would only say the words, that would be sufficient,

"The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed." Jn. 8:8.

“And Jesus said unto the centurion, Go thy way, and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee. And his servant was healed in the selfsame hour.” Jn. 8:13.

Praise the Lord! You better believe there is power in the spoken word. This is also why we need to be careful with what we say. I see many people declaring doom on themselves by careless talk. For example, don't say things like, “Today will be a terrible day” or “If this or that happens I will die”. Don't tell your child, “You are worthless” etc. You need to begin to understand the power of the spoken word. You need to begin to understand the power in declaring blessings and curses. Amen.

Today is the day of salvation. Believe God today! There is power in the spoken word. Let's take a moment and declare some things prophetically. Whatever your need, whatever your situation, God CAN make something out of nothing! Open your mouth and in faith and power declare this prayer with me:

Oh Heavenly Father, I praise your mighty name. You alone are God and beside you there is NO OTHER GOD! I give your name praise today as you sit on your throne in power and righteousness. You are a great God, a glorious God and worthy of all praise forever and ever, Amen.

Heavenly Father, I come to you right now and ask you to forgive me of every stain, every sin, every unrighteous thought, word, or action. I ask that you wash every single blemish, stain, and wrinkle on my garment in the blood of Jesus Christ. Make me clean and white and whole before you right now in Jesus name. I confess to (name any sins that come to mind) and ask now that you forgive me for these things. Make me clean and white in thy precious blood in Jesus name.

Heavenly Father right now I cancel every single idle word spoken, I cancel every single curse I've ever uttered upon myself, or anybody else, in Jesus name. I ask that you help me not speak curses but blessings. Change my heart of God that I speak gracious words and blessings to those around me in Jesus name.

Heavenly Father I ask right now that you give me more faith. Give me faith to follow you, to keep your word. Empower me to be obedient to every command and precept in your Word in Jesus mighty name.

**Lord in blessing bless me indeed.
I am blessed and not cursed, in the name of Jesus.**

Every single curse against me will be turned into a blessing in Jesus name.

My boarders will be enlarged in Jesus mighty name.

I will walk in power and overcome EVERY sin in Jesus mighty name.

Every single agent of Satan that is oppressing me, receive blindness and the fire of God on you in Jesus name.

Every single spying demon I command blindness on you and you will not see, hear, or smell me in Jesus name.

I come against and cancel every plan of Satan in my life; the blueprints are burned up in Jesus name.

The destiny God has for my life WILL COME TO PASS in Jesus mighty name.

I will not die, but live and declare the goodness of God in the land of the living in Jesus mighty name!

Every single demotion will turn into a promotion in Jesus mighty name.

Every sickness in my body, receive the healing of Jophe Rophe in Jesus mighty name!
My enemies are scattered and discomfited with lightning bolts from the throne of God in Jesus mighty name.

I will have victory in areas I have only had defeat. I will gain every square inch of lost ground from Satan in Jesus name.

I command everything Satan has stole from me to be returned unto me right now in the name of Jesus Christ.

I will be the head and not the tail in Jesus name.

I will walk worthy of the calling and be pleasing to God every day in Jesus mighty name.

Oh mighty Father, I declare all these things and so much the more as we see the Day of Christ fast approaching. Help me, strengthen me, and establish in in the Faith to serve you and obtain the prize of eternal life in the name of Jesus I pray and ask all of these things, Amen, Amen, and Amen.

May everything you just declared in faith be unto you according to your faith in Jesus name, Amen. God bless you brothers and sisters in the Lord. Let us walk in faith, believe God, and obey Him. Jesus Christ is coming back soon. Prepare to meet your God. Maranatha!

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